

RESOLUTION NUMBER 171

CHIEF SHERMAN GEORGE

WHEREAS, This honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis has been apprised of the upcoming festivities planned to honor the many years of service and contributions of Fire Chief Sherman George; and

WHEREAS, Chief George was appointed as this City's first African-American Fire Chief under the administration of Mayor Clarence Harmon in November of 1999 thus making history due to Chief George's many years of stellar service to this city; and

WHEREAS, Joining the St. Louis Fire Department in November of 1967, Chief George has served this community as a fire fighter for soon to be 40 years, and under the leadership of Fire Chief George, the St. Louis Fire Department has excelled as one of the country's finest fire departments; and

WHEREAS, Chief George has made it a part of his duties to personally attend and support numerous community festivals, functions, trainings and activities, to assist in community emergency training and fire prevention efforts and implement programs and services to help the indigent and the elderly above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, During these lean years of the city's budgetary problems, Chief George has actively sought out and secured numerous private donations and public grants to not only continue the present fine level of service to the City but to expand several areas while other city departments had to cut back services; and

WHEREAS, Chief George has served on many commissions and boards; was an instructor at the St. Louis Fire Academy; was an adjunct instructor Carl Holmes Executive Institute at Florida A & M; was a sergeant in the United States Army; attended the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University; and has received numerous awards and commendations too extensive to be enumerated in this one resolution.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the many years of fine service that Fire Chief Sherman George has provided to this City of St. Louis and by adoption of this resolution joins in the festivities planned to honor his work and achievements, and we direct the Clerk of this Board to prepare a commemorative copy of this Resolution to the end that it may be presented to our honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 28th day of September 28, 2007 by:

Honorable Terry Kennedy, Alderman 18th Ward

Honorable Charles Quincy Troupe, Alderman 1st Ward

Honorable Dionne Flowers, Alderwoman 2nd Ward

Honorable Freeman Bosley, Sr., Alderman, 3rd Ward

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Honorable Fred Wessels, Alderman, 13th Ward
Honorable Stephen Gregali, Alderman, 14th Ward
Honorable Jennifer Florida, Alderwoman, 15th Ward
Honorable Donna Baringer, Alderwoman, 16th Ward
Honorable Joseph Roddy, Alderman, 17th Ward
Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderwoman, 19th Ward
Honorable Craig Schmid, Alderman, 20th Ward
Honorable Bennice Jones King, Alderwoman, 21st Ward
Honorable Jeffrey Boyd, Alderman, 22nd Ward
Honorable Kathleen Hanrahan, Alderwoman, 23rd Ward
Honorable William Waterhouse, Alderman, 24th Ward
Honorable Dorothy Kirner, Alderwoman, 25th Ward
Honorable Frank Williamson, Alderman, 26th Ward
Honorable Gregory J. Carter, Alderman, 27th Ward
Honorable Lyda Krewson, Alderwoman, 28th Ward
Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President Board of Alderman

Adopted this the 28th day of September 2007 as attested:

Denise Watson-Wesley Coleman
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen